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UNITED STATES SENATE

Committee on
Government Operations

July 27, 1953

Mr. Allen W. Dulles
Director, Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

This is to acknowledge receipt of yours of July 22, which is in answer to my letter of July 16.

Needless to say, I think that this matter becomes increasingly important in view of the fact you have now confirmed to me in writing that Mr. Bundy did contribute \$400.00 to the defense of Alger Hiss. This fact, of course, raises the gravest question as to his holding a sensitive post in an intelligence agency, a good part of the work of which must involve the detection of activities of people such as Alger Hiss.

On this point you overlooked responding to the inquiry contained in my letter to you of July 16, concerning the explanation that Mr. Bundy has made concerning his contributions to Alger Hiss. I had asked:

"In connection with the contribution to the defense of Alger Hiss, if you find that he did not give the above reasons for making the contributions, I would appreciate knowing what reasons he now gives."

With reference to your identification of the Communist front organization to which Bundy belonged, as the United Public Workers of America, I think that this additional factor adds to the seriousness of this whole question. I have asked the staff to research the question you raise as to when allegations concerning Communist infiltration of this unit were first made.

I realize the tremendous burden of your work, but would appreciate receiving the information requested herein as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Joe McCarthy

JOE McCARTHY, Chairman
Senate Permanent Subcommittee
on Investigations

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